

## CDC's Environmental Public Health Services Activity

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) is working to support environmental health professionals by developing partnerships that utilize community, educational, and technical resources.

Support for environmental health professionals and development of partnerships is critical for promoting:

- Healthy Communities--through effective planning and land use
- Healthy Homes--through housing quality, indoor air quality, and lead abatement
- Healthy Environments--through clean water, air, and food
- *Innovation*--through new approaches and effective management
- Better Use of Resources--through integration of effort and communication

The environmental health professional plays a significant role in preventing environmentally related diseases. A well-prepared professional can address:

- Environmental planning and priority setting in the community.
- Public health needs as they relate to environmental decision making.
- Reduced resources and increased workloads.
- The importance of the environmental health professional in public health.

CDC's role is to develop support for the environmental health professional. Some of the planned activities include:

- Planning for the future of environmental public health.
- Communication and information transfer.
- Preparatory training in environmental public health.
- Development of public health resources.
- Development of community models for environmental public health.



If you have specific comments on how CDC can support you and your work, we would like to hear from you. Please contact CAPT Patrick Bohan, R.S., at:

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